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1. ACCORDING TO FINANCE MINISTRY SOURCE, FRG BILATERAL AGREEMENTS WERE CONCLUDED WITH BANGLADESH ON SEPT 13 AND WITH PAKISTAN ON NOV 14. BANGLADESH ASSUMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL PREWAR

PAKISTAN DEBT ON PROJECTS LOCATED IN BANGLADESH, PER TERMS OF JUNE 28 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH FRG, BANGLADESH SOLICITED

FRG EFFORTS TO PERSUADE PAKISTAN TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR A NUMBER OF DEBTS CONNECTED WITH SMALLER PROJECTS. FRG CONTENDED THAT THIS WAS ESSENTIALLY A BILATERAL ISSUE BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND PAKISTAN, BUT OFFERED TO BRING BANGLADESH VIEWS TO ATTENTION OF PAKISTAN. AGREEMENT WITH BANGLADESH CONTAINS EXPRESSION OF HOPE ON PART OF BANGLADESH THAT PAKISTAN WILL ASSUME SOME RESPONSIBILITY.

- 2. BANGLADESH PAYMENTS WILL BE IN ACCORD WITH IDA TERMS: 50 YEARS, WITH 10 YEAR GRACE PERIOD, ANDINTEREST RATE OF 0.75 PERCENT. WHILE INTEREST PAYMENTS DURING 10-YEAR GRACE PERIOD WILL COVER OFFICIAL AS WELL AS COMMERCIAL DEBT, FRG WILL PASS THESE PAYMENTS TO COMMERCIAL CREDITORS, WHO WILL RECEIVE INTEREST OF 2.5 PERCENT. CSC
- 3. FRG FINMINISTRY WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION ON OUTCOME OF US-PAKISTAN NEGOTIATIONS NOW UNDERWAY. CASH

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